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Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313			

## SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

Sir:

An Amendment was filed on June 18, 2010 in response to the Office action mailed March 18, 2010. Enclosed is a Declaration by the Applicant regarding the general reactions and their sequence in Tomihisa after his technical review of the disclosure and examples of the reference. The reactions, intermediates, and compound fine particles are not shown in the reference. The arguments presented in the Amendment filed June 18 were based on Applicant's technical review of Tomihisa. Consideration of the Declaration is respectfully requested (MPEP 716.01(d)).

The Declaration is being presented in view of the complexity of the reactions in Tomihisa and to support the arguments made in the Amendment. Applicant requests consideration of the Declaration per MPEP 716.01(B). If the examiner does not consider the evidence to be sufficient to overcome the rejections, it is requested that the examiner specifically explain why the Declaration is insufficient.

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Applicants submit that a review of the prior art of record as a whole shows that the claims in the present application meet the requirements for patentability. Applicant respectfully requests examination of Claims 34-35, 42, 44, and 46-64 directed to the unelected species and allowance of claims 33 to 64.

Respectfully submitted,

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